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WASHINGTON, DC-Today, U.S. Rep. Michael A. Arcuri (NY-24) announced that the City of Norwich in Chenango County has been awarded an \$80,000 Housing Preservation Grant through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development to repair several residents' homes.

"This USDA funding will allow a number of low-income homeowners in Norwich make necessary repairs to their homes that they would not otherwise be able to make," **said Arcuri**. "Improving safety and energy efficiency is not only good for the homeowners but the entire community as well."

"This program is of great assistance to the homeowners in the City of Norwich," **said Norwich Mayor Joseph Maiurano**

. "When there is an emergency, with this grant, we will be able to act in a timely manner. I have to give a big thank you to Congressman Mike Arcuri for his support of this grant. This is one of many grants he has helped the City of Norwich achieve over the past four years. He knows the needs of his constituents and is constantly working to find solutions to those needs."

This Rural Development funding will be used to assist 8 very low and 5 low income households make emergency repairs to their homes which will include roof repair, septic system, water system, heating, foundation, structural, lead based paint, electrical, weatherization, handicap accessibility and renovations to remove overcrowding.

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